



Dynamic programming

Longest Common Subsequence



Algorithmic Paradigms

- **Divide-and-conquer**: Break up a problem into two sub-problems, solve each sub-problem independently, and combine solution to sub-problems to form solution to original problem.
- **Dynamic programming**: Break up a problem into a series of overlapping sub-problems, and build up solutions to larger and larger sub-problems. i.e. (general algorithm design technique for solving problems defined by or formulated as recurrences with overlapping subinstances)



Dynamic Programming

Idea:

- set up a recurrence relating a solution to a larger instance to solutions of some smaller instances
- solve smaller instances once
- record solutions in a table
- extract solution to the initial instance from that table

Richard Bellman: Pioneered the systematic study of dynamic programming in the 1950s to solve optimization problems and later assimilated by CS



Dynamic Programming Applications

Areas:

- Bioinformatics.
- Control theory.
- Information theory.
- Operations research.
- Computer science: theory, graphics, AI, systems,



Elements of DP

- Optimal (sub)structure
 - An optimal solution to the problem contains within it optimal solutions to subproblems.
- Overlapping subproblems
 - The space of subproblems is “small” in that a recursive algorithm for the problem solves the same subproblems over and over. Total number of distinct subproblems is typically polynomial in input size.
- (Reconstruction an optimal solution)



Finding Optimal substructures

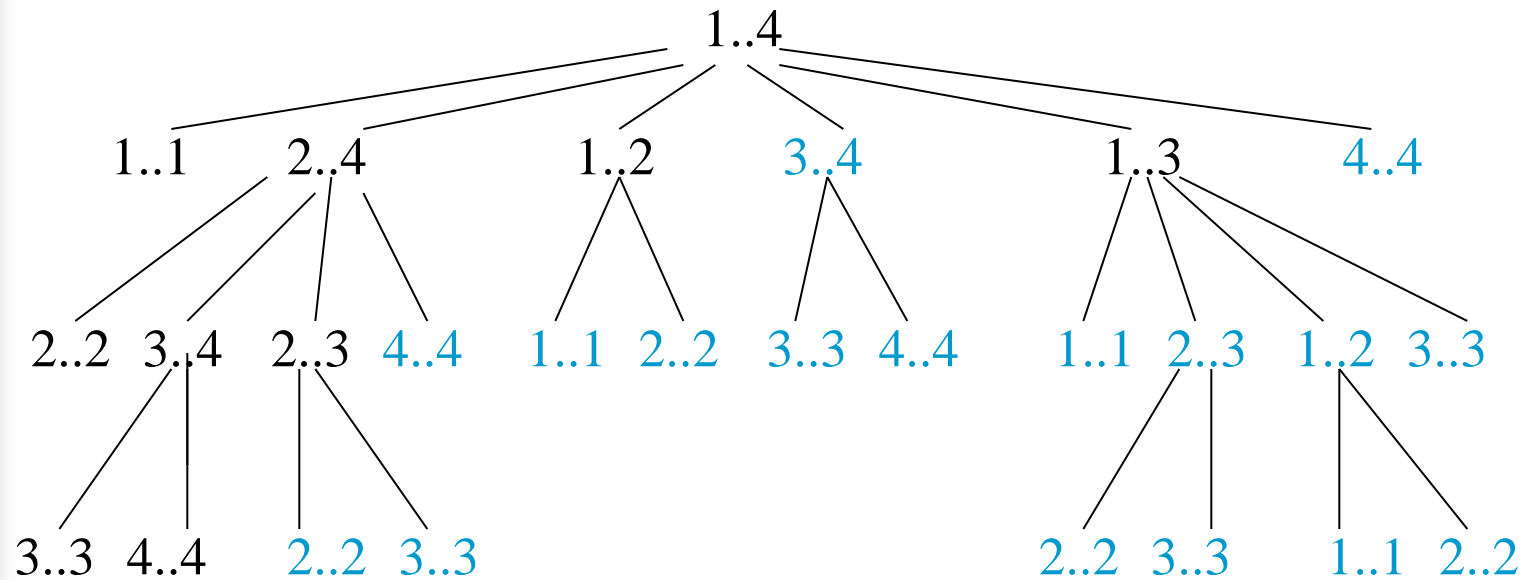
- Show a solution to the problem consists of making a choice, which results in one or more subproblems to be solved.
- Suppose you are given a choice leading to an optimal solution.
 - Determine which subproblems follows and how to characterize the resulting space of subproblems.
- Show the solution to the subproblems used within the optimal solution to the problem must themselves be optimal by **cut-and-paste** technique.

A Recursive Algorithm for Matrix-Chain Multiplication

RECURSIVE-MATRIX-CHAIN(p, i, j) (called with $(p, 1, n)$)

1. **if** $i=j$ **then return** 0
2. $m[i, j] \leftarrow \infty$
3. **for** $k \leftarrow i$ **to** $j-1$
4. **do** $q \leftarrow$ RECURSIVE-MATRIX-CHAIN(p, i, k) +
 RECURSIVE-MATRIX-CHAIN($p, k+1, j$) + $p_{i-1}p_kp_j$
5. **if** $q < m[i, j]$ **then** $m[i, j] \leftarrow q$
6. **return** $m[i, j]$

Recursion tree for the computation of $\text{RECURSIVE-MATRIX-CHAIN}(p, 1, 4)$



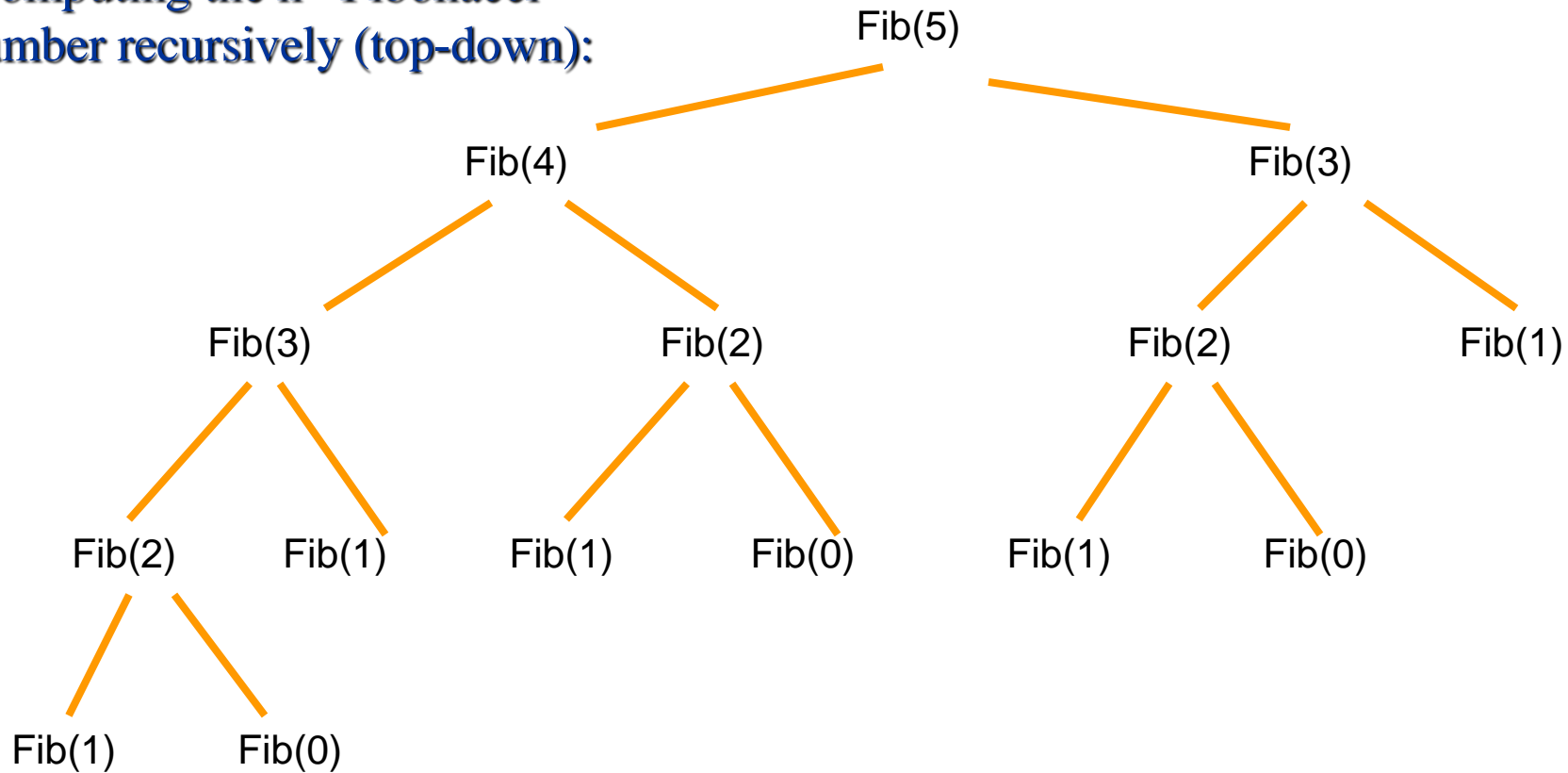
Drawback of Divide & Conquer

- Sometimes can be inefficient
- **Fibonacci numbers:**
 - $F_0 = 0, F_1 = 1, \quad F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$ for $n > 1$
- Sequence is 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, ...
- Obvious recursive algorithm:
- Fib(n):
 - if $n = 0$ or 1 then return n
 - else return $(F(n-1) + \text{Fib}(n-2))$

Computing Fibonacci Numbers

Recursion Tree for Fib(5)

Computing the n^{th} Fibonacci number recursively (top-down):





How Many Recursive Calls?

- If all leaves had the same depth, then there would be about 2^n recursive calls.
- But this is over-counting.
- Exponential!

Save Work

- **Wasteful approach** - repeat work unnecessarily
 - Fib(2) is computed three times
- **Recursion adds overhead**
 - extra time for function calls
 - extra space to store information on the runtime stack about each currently active function call
- **Avoid the recursion overhead** by filling in the table entries bottom up, instead of top down.
 - Instead, compute Fib(2) once, store result in a table, and access it when needed

Dynamic Programming for Fibonacci

- Fib(n):
- $F[0] := 0; F[1] := 1;$
- for $i := 2$ to n do
 - $F[i] := F[i-1] + F[i-2]$
- return $F[n]$

**time reduced from
exponential to linear!**

Dynamic programming

- It is used, when the solution can be recursively described in terms of solutions to subproblems (*optimal substructure*)
- Algorithm finds solutions to subproblems and stores them in memory for later use
- More efficient than “*brute-force methods*”, which solve the same subproblems over and over again

Longest Common Subsequence (LCS)

Application: comparison of two DNA strings

Ex: $X = \{A B C B D A B\}$, $Y = \{B D C A B A\}$

Longest Common Subsequence:

$X = A \text{ **B** } \text{ **C** } \text{ **B** } D \text{ **A** } B$

$Y = \text{ **B** } D \text{ **C** } A \text{ **B** } \text{ **A** }$

Brute force algorithm would compare each subsequence of X with the symbols in Y

LCS Algorithm

- if $|X| = m$, $|Y| = n$, then there are 2^m subsequences of x ; we must compare each with Y (n comparisons)
- So the running time of the brute-force algorithm is $O(n 2^m)$
- Notice that the LCS problem has *optimal substructure*: solutions of subproblems are parts of the final solution.
- Subproblems: “find LCS of pairs of *prefixes* of X and Y ”

LCS Algorithm

- First we'll find the length of LCS. Later we'll modify the algorithm to find LCS itself.
- Define X_i, Y_j to be the prefixes of X and Y of length i and j respectively
- Define $c[i,j]$ to be the length of LCS of X_i and Y_j
- Then the length of LCS of X and Y will be $c[m,n]$

$$c[i, j] = \begin{cases} c[i-1, j-1] + 1 & \text{if } x[i] = y[j], \\ \max(c[i, j-1], c[i-1, j]) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

LCS recursive solution

- We start with $i = j = 0$ (empty substrings of x and y)
- Since X_0 and Y_0 are empty strings, their LCS is always empty (i.e. $c[0,0] = 0$)
- LCS of empty string and any other string is empty, so for every i and j : $c[0, j] = c[i, 0] = 0$

LCS recursive solution

- When we calculate $c[i,j]$, we consider two cases:
- **First case:** $x[i]=y[j]$: one more symbol in strings X and Y matches, so the length of LCS X_i and Y_j equals to the length of LCS of smaller strings X_{i-1} and Y_{j-1} , plus 1

LCS recursive solution

- **Second case:** $x[i] \neq y[j]$

As symbols don't match, our solution is not improved, and the length of $\text{LCS}(X_i, Y_j)$ is the same as before (i.e. maximum of $\text{LCS}(X_i, Y_{j-1})$ and $\text{LCS}(X_{i-1}, Y_j)$)

Why not just take the length of $\text{LCS}(X_{i-1}, Y_{j-1})$?

LCS Length Algorithm

LCS-Length(X, Y)

1. $m = \text{length}(X)$ // get the # of symbols in X
2. $n = \text{length}(Y)$ // get the # of symbols in Y
3. for $i = 1$ to m $c[i,0] = 0$ // special case: Y_0
4. for $j = 1$ to n $c[0,j] = 0$ // special case: X_0
5. for $i = 1$ to m // for all X_i
6. for $j = 1$ to n // for all Y_j
7. if ($X_i == Y_j$)
8. $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$
9. else $c[i,j] = \max(c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1])$
10. return c

LCS Example

We'll see how LCS algorithm works on the following example:

- $X = \text{A B C B}$
- $Y = \text{B D C A B}$

What is the Longest Common Subsequence of X and Y ?

$\text{LCS}(X, Y) = \text{B C B}$

$X = \text{A } \mathbf{B} \quad \mathbf{C} \quad \mathbf{B}$

$Y = \quad \mathbf{B} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{C} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{B}$

LCS Example (0)

ABCB
BDCAB

		j	0	1	2	3	4	5
			Y _j	B	D	C	A	B
i								
0	X _i							
1	A							
2	B							
3	C							
4	B							

$X = \text{ABCB}; \quad m = |X| = 4$

$Y = \text{BDCAB}; \quad n = |Y| = 5$

Allocate array $c[5,4]$

LCS Example (1)

ABCB
BDCAB

		j	0	1	2	3	4	5
			Y _j	B	D	C	A	B
i	X _i							
0			0	0	0	0	0	0
1	A		0					
2	B		0					
3	C		0					
4	B		0					

for $i = 1$ to m

$c[i,0] = 0$

for $j = 1$ to n

$c[0,j] = 0$

LCS Example (2)

ABCB
BDCAB

		j					
		0	1	2	3	4	5
i	Yj		B	D	C	A	B
	Xi	0	0	0	0	0	0
	1	0	0				
	2	B					
	3	C					
	4	B					

if ($X_i == Y_j$)
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$
 else $c[i,j] = \max(c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1])$

LCS Example (3)

ABCB
B**D**C**A**B

		j	0	1	2	3	4	5
i			Yj	B	D	C	A	B
	Xi							
0			0	0	0	0	0	0
1	A		0	0	0	0		
2	B		0					
3	C		0					
4	B		0					

if ($X_i == Y_j$)
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$
 else $c[i,j] = \max(c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1])$

LCS Example (4)

ABCB
BDCAB

		j	0	1	2	3	4	5
			Y _j	B	D	C	A	B
i	X _i	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	A	0	0	0	0	0	1	
2	B	0						
3	C	0						
4	B	0						

if ($X_i == Y_j$)
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$
 else $c[i,j] = \max(c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1])$

LCS Example (5)

ABCB
BDCAB

		j	0	1	2	3	4	5
			Y _j	B	D	C	A	B
i	X _i	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	A	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
2	B	0						
3	C	0						
4	B	0						

if ($X_i == Y_j$)
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$
 else $c[i,j] = \max(c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1])$

LCS Example (6)

A B C B

B D C A B

i \ j	0	1	2	3	4	5
	Y _j	B	D	C	A	B
0	X _i	0	0	0	0	0
1	A	0	0	0	0	1
2	B	0	1			
3	C	0				
4	B	0				

if ($X_i == Y_j$)

$c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$

else $c[i,j] = \max(c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1])$

LCS Example (7)

ABCB
BD CAB

i	j	Y _j					
			0	1	2	3	4
				B	D	C	A
0	X _i		0	0	0	0	0
1	A		0	0	0	0	1
2	B		0	1	1	1	1
3	C		0				
4	B		0				

if ($X_i == Y_j$)
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$
 else $c[i,j] = \max(c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1])$

LCS Example (8)

ABCB
BDCAB

i	j	Y _j						
			0	1	2	3	4	5
				B	D	C	A	B
0	X _i		0	0	0	0	0	0
1	A		0	0	0	0	1	1
2	B		0	1	1	1	1	2
3	C		0					
4	B		0					

if ($X_i == Y_j$)
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$
 else $c[i,j] = \max(c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1])$

LCS Example (10)

ABCB
BDCAB

i	j	Y _j	0	1	2	3	4	5
				B	D	C	A	B
0	X _i		0	0	0	0	0	0
1	A		0	0	0	0	1	1
2	B		0	1	1	1	1	2
3	C		0	↓	↓			
				1	→	1		
4	B		0					

if ($X_i == Y_j$)
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$
 else $c[i,j] = \max(c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1])$

LCS Example (11)

ABCB
BDAB

i	j	Y _j	0	1	2	3	4	5
				B	D	C	A	B
0	X _i		0	0	0	0	0	0
1	A		0	0	0	0	1	1
2	B		0	1	1	1	1	2
3	C		0	1	1	2		
4	B		0					

if ($X_i == Y_j$)
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$
 else $c[i,j] = \max(c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1])$

LCS Example (12)

ABCB
BDCAB

		j	0	1	2	3	4	5
			Y _j	B	D	C	A	B
i	X _i	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	A	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
2	B	0	1	1	1	1	1	2
3	C	0	1	1	2	2	2	2
4	B	0						

if ($X_i == Y_j$)
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$
 else $c[i,j] = \max(c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1])$

LCS Example (13)

ABCB

BDCAB

i	j	Yj	0	1	2	3	4	5
				B	D	C	A	B
0	Xi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	A	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
2	B	0	1	1	1	1	1	2
3	C	0	1	1	2	2	2	2
4	B	0	1					

if ($X_i == Y_j$)

$c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$

else $c[i,j] = \max(c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1])$

LCS Example (14)

ABCB
BD CAB

i	j	Y _j	0	1	2	3	4	5
				B	D	C	A	B
0	X _i		0	0	0	0	0	0
1	A		0	0	0	0	1	1
2	B		0	1	1	1	1	2
3	C		0	1	1	2	2	2
4	B		0	1	1	2	2	

if ($X_i == Y_j$)
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$
 else $c[i,j] = \max(c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1])$

LCS Example (15)

ABCB
BD CAB

i	j	Y _j						
			0	1	2	3	4	5
				B	D	C	A	B
0	X _i		0	0	0	0	0	0
1	A		0	0	0	0	1	1
2	B		0	1	1	1	1	2
3	C		0	1	1	2	2	2
4	B		0	1	1	2	2	3

if ($X_i == Y_j$)
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$
 else $c[i,j] = \max(c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1])$

LCS Algorithm Running Time

- LCS algorithm calculates the values of each entry of the array $c[m,n]$
- So what is the running time?

$O(m*n)$

since each $c[i,j]$ is calculated in constant time, and there are $m*n$ elements in the array

How to find actual LCS

- So far, we have just found the *length* of LCS, but not LCS itself.
- We want to modify this algorithm to make it output Longest Common Subsequence of X and Y

Each $c[i,j]$ depends on $c[i-1,j]$ and $c[i,j-1]$ or $c[i-1, j-1]$

For each $c[i,j]$ we can say how it was acquired:

2	2
2	3

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For example, here

$$c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1 = 2 + 1 = 3$$

How to find actual LCS - continued

- Remember that

$$c[i, j] = \begin{cases} c[i-1, j-1] + 1 & \text{if } x[i] = y[j], \\ \max(c[i, j-1], c[i-1, j]) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- So we can start from $c[m, n]$ and go backwards
- Whenever $c[i, j] = c[i-1, j-1] + 1$, remember $x[i]$ (because $x[i]$ is a part of LCS)
- When $i=0$ or $j=0$ (i.e. we reached the beginning), output remembered letters in reverse order

Finding LCS

		j	0	1	2	3	4	5
i		Yj	B	D	C	A	B	
0	Xi	0	0	0	0	0	0	
1	A	0	0	0	0	1	1	
2	B	0	1	1	1	1	2	
3	C	0	1	1	2	2	2	
4	B	0	1	1	2	2	3	

Finding LCS (2)

		j	0	1	2	3	4	5
i		Yj		B	D	C	A	B
	Xi							
0			0	0	0	0	0	0
1	A		0	0	0	0	1	1
2	B		0	1	1	1	1	2
3	C		0	1	1	2	2	2
4	B		0	1	1	2	2	3

LCS (reversed order): **B C B**

LCS (straight order): **B C B**

(this string turned out to be a palindrome)

Matrix-chain multiplication (MCM) -DP

- Problem: given $\langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \rangle$, compute the product: $A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_n$, find the fastest way (i.e., minimum number of multiplications) to compute it.
- Suppose two matrices $A(p, q)$ and $B(q, r)$, compute their product $C(p, r)$ in $p \times q \times r$ multiplications
 - for $i=1$ to p for $j=1$ to r $C[i, j]=0$
 - for $i=1$ to p
 - for $j=1$ to r
 - for $k=1$ to q $C[i, j] = C[i, j] + A[i, k]B[k, j]$

Matrix-chain multiplication -DP

- Different parenthesizations will have different number of multiplications for product of multiple matrices
- Example: $A(10,100)$, $B(100,5)$, $C(5,50)$
 - If $((A \times B) \times C)$, $10 \times 100 \times 5 + 10 \times 5 \times 50 = 7500$
 - If $(A \times (B \times C))$, $10 \times 100 \times 50 + 100 \times 5 \times 50 = 75000$
- The first way is ten times faster than the second !!!
- Denote $\langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \rangle$ by $\langle p_0, p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n \rangle$
 - i.e, $A_1(p_0, p_1)$, $A_2(p_1, p_2)$, \dots , $A_i(p_{i-1}, p_i)$, \dots , $A_n(p_{n-1}, p_n)$

Matrix-chain multiplication –MCM DP

- Intuitive brute-force solution: Counting the number of parenthesizations by exhaustively checking all possible parenthesizations.
- Let $P(n)$ denote the number of alternative parenthesizations of a sequence of n matrices:
 - $P(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n=1 \\ \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} P(k)P(n-k) & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$
- The solution to the recursion is $\Omega(2^n)$.
- So brute-force will not work.

Matrix-chain Multiplication

- $C = A_1 A_2 \dots A_n$
- Different ways to compute C
 - $C = (A_1(A_2 A_3)(A_4 A_5))A_6$
 - $C = (A_1 A_2)((A_3 A_4)(A_5 A_6))$
- Matrix multiplication is associative
 - So output will be the same
- However, time cost can be very different

MCP DP Steps

Step 1: structure of an optimal parenthesization

- Let $A_{i..j}$ ($i \leq j$) denote the matrix resulting from $A_i \times A_{i+1} \times \dots \times A_j$
- Any parenthesization of $A_i \times A_{i+1} \times \dots \times A_j$ must split the product between A_k and A_{k+1} for some k , ($i \leq k < j$). The cost = # of computing $A_{i..k}$ + # of computing $A_{k+1..j}$ + # $A_{i..k} \times A_{k+1..j}$.
- If k is the position for an optimal parenthesization, the parenthesization of “prefix” subchain $A_i \times A_{i+1} \times \dots \times A_k$ within this optimal parenthesization of $A_i \times A_{i+1} \times \dots \times A_j$ must be an optimal parenthesization of $A_i \times A_{i+1} \times \dots \times A_k$.
- $$\underbrace{A_i \times A_{i+1} \times \dots \times A_k}_{\leftarrow \quad \quad \quad \rightarrow} \times \underbrace{A_{k+1} \times \dots \times A_j}_{\leftarrow \quad \quad \quad \rightarrow}$$

$\longleftarrow \quad \quad \quad \longrightarrow$

MCP DP Steps

Step 2: a recursive relation

- Let $m[i,j]$ be the minimum number of multiplications for $A_i \times A_{i+1} \times \dots \times A_j$
- $m[1,n]$ will be the answer
- $m[i,j] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = j \\ \min_{i \leq k < j} \{m[i,k] + m[k+1,j] + p_{i-1}p_kp_j\} & \text{if } i < j \end{cases}$

MCM DP Steps

- Step 3, Computing the optimal cost
 - If by recursive algorithm, exponential time $\Omega(2^n)$ (ref. to P.346 for the proof.), no better than brute-force.
 - Total number of subproblems: $\Theta(n^2)$
 - Recursive algorithm will encounter the same subproblem many times.
 - If tabling the answers for subproblems, each subproblem is only solved once.
 - The second hallmark of DP: **overlapping subproblems** and solve every subproblem just once.

MCM DP Steps

Step 3, Algorithm,

- array $m[1..n, 1..n]$, with $m[i, j]$ records the optimal cost for $A_i \times A_{i+1} \times \dots \times A_j$.
- array $s[1..n, 1..n]$, $s[i, j]$ records index k which achieved the optimal cost when computing $m[i, j]$.
- Suppose the input to the algorithm is $p = \langle p_0, p_1, \dots, p_n \rangle$.

MCM DP Steps

MATRIX-CHAIN-ORDER(p)

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1   $n \leftarrow \text{length}[p] - 1$ 
2  for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$ 
3      do  $m[i, i] \leftarrow 0$ 
4  for  $l \leftarrow 2$  to  $n$            $\triangleright l$  is the chain length.
5      do for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n - l + 1$ 
6          do  $j \leftarrow i + l - 1$ 
7               $m[i, j] \leftarrow \infty$ 
8              for  $k \leftarrow i$  to  $j - 1$ 
9                  do  $q \leftarrow m[i, k] + m[k + 1, j] + p_{i-1}p_kp_j$ 
10                     if  $q < m[i, j]$ 
11                         then  $m[i, j] \leftarrow q$ 
12                              $s[i, j] \leftarrow k$ 
13  return  $m$  and  $s$ 
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MCM DP Example

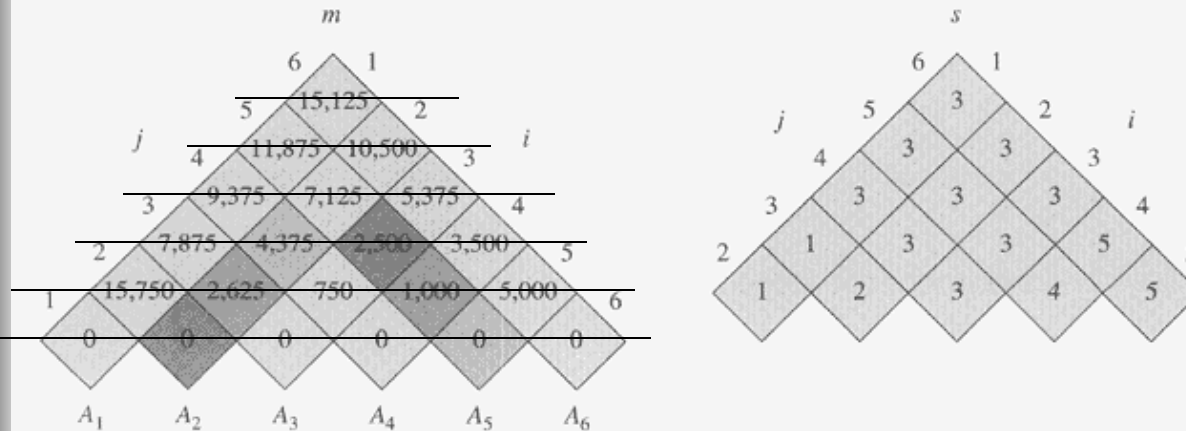


Figure 15.3 The m and s tables computed by MATRIX-CHAIN-ORDER for $n = 6$ and the following matrix dimensions:

matrix	dimension
A_1	30×35
A_2	35×15
A_3	15×5
A_4	5×10
A_5	10×20
A_6	20×25

The tables are rotated so that the main diagonal runs horizontally. Only the main diagonal and upper triangle are used in the m table, and only the upper triangle is used in the s table. The minimum number of scalar multiplications to multiply the 6 matrices is $m[1, 6] = 15,125$. Of the darker entries, the pairs that have the same shading are taken together in line 9 when computing

$$m[2, 5] = \min \begin{cases} m[2, 2] + m[3, 5] + p_1 p_2 p_5 = 0 + 2500 + 35 \cdot 15 \cdot 20 = 13000, \\ m[2, 3] + m[4, 5] + p_1 p_3 p_5 = 2625 + 1000 + 35 \cdot 5 \cdot 20 = 7125, \\ m[2, 4] + m[5, 5] + p_1 p_4 p_5 = 4375 + 0 + 35 \cdot 10 \cdot 20 = 11375 \end{cases} \\ = 7125.$$

MCM DP Steps

- Step 4, constructing a **parenthesization order** for the optimal solution.
 - Since $s[1..n, 1..n]$ is computed, and $s[i, j]$ is the split position for $A_i A_{i+1} \dots A_j$, i.e, $A_i \dots A_{s[i, j]}$ and $A_{s[i, j] + 1} \dots A_j$, thus, the **parenthesization order** can be obtained from $s[1..n, 1..n]$ recursively, beginning from $s[1, n]$.

MCM DP Steps

- Step 4, algorithm

PRINT-OPTIMAL-PARENS(s, i, j)

1 **if** $i = j$

2 **then** print " A ";

3 **else** print "("

4 PRINT-OPTIMAL-PARENS($s, i, s[i, j]$)

5 PRINT-OPTIMAL-PARENS($s, s[i, j] + 1, j$)

6 print ")"